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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time extending to October 12, 2006, the period for response to the Final Office Action dated June 12, 2006. Please charge the fee of \$60.00 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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